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BRITISH EMBASSY OFFICER CALLED ON MOTZ, GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE, JAN # TO REQUEST INFORMATION RE STATUS AHC LAW 27 PROGRESS REPORT. MOTZ REPLIED SECTION OF REPORT ON KRUPP ENTERPRISES IS ESSENTIALLY COMPLETE AND WAS REQUESTD TO TRANSMIT COPY OF IT. NO AIDE MEMOIRE WAS LEFT BY BRITISH OFFICER WITH FOREIGN OFFICE.

ON DEC # WE AND BRITISH AGREED TO TIME OUR APPROACH TO MOTZ AFTER BRITISH CALL. CONSEQUENTLY, EMBASSY OFFICER CALLED ON MOTZ JANUARY 8 AND RECEIVED ESSENTIALY SAME INFORMATION. IN ADDITION, MOTZ MADE FOLLOWING COMMENTS:

- THYSSEN INTERESTS HAVE NOT SUBMITTED DATA, STATING THAT FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS NO LEGAL RIGHT TO SUCH DATA, MOTZ BELIEVES ATTITUDE STEMS FROM RUMORED OWNERSHIP CHANGES WITHIN THYSSEN ENTERPRISES AND RELUCTANCE MAKE AVAILABLE DATA WHICH MIGHT BE RELEASED TO PUBLIC OR COMPETITORS, RATHER THAN FROM DOUBTS REGARDING COMPETENCE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.
- MOTZ UNDERSTANDS KRUPP IS PREPARING EXTENSION APPLICATION FOR SUBMITTAL FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN LATE JANUARY, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER ONE, ARTICLE 10, SETTLEMENT CONVENTION. MOTZ HOPES TO SEND REPORT ON KRUPP IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS. WHEN RECEIVED, WE SHALL TRANSMIT REPORT TO DEPT.

ASSUMPTION STATED COLUX 98, REPEATED INFO BONN 58, THAT ALLIES WOULD NOT DISCUSS APPROACH TO HA OF CSC WITH GERMANS WAS CORRECT. NEVERTHELESS. MOTZ INDEPENDENTLY ASKED WHETHER WE HAD EVER CONSIDERED POSSIBILITY REQUESTING HA MAKE STATEMENT ON HYPOTHETICAL QUESTION WHICH COULD BE USED AS BASIS FOR WAIVING

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COMPLETION OUTSTANDING AHC LAW 27 OBLIGATIONS, WE MADE NON-COMMITTAL REPLY, TO WHICH MOTZ COMMENTED THAT HE HAD NOT THOUGHT THROUGH SUCH APPROACH IN VIEW OF LIKELY HA RELUCTANCE TO CONSIDER ANY HYPOTHETICAL QUESTION.

BRITISH AND FRENCH ASSURED US AFTER MEETING THAT THEY HAD NEVER DISCUSSED APPROACH TO HA WITH GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE.

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